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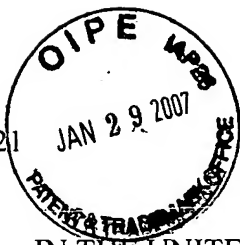
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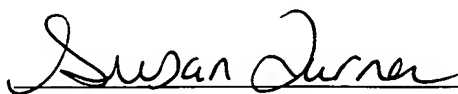
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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/EP2004/052821</b>	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>05 November 2004</b>	
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>Polypropylene Processing with Reduced Cycle Time in Injection- Stretch-Blow Moulding</b>		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>Smits, Valerie</b>		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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20. Other items or information: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em; margin-top: 10px;">Copy of International Search Report</div>		
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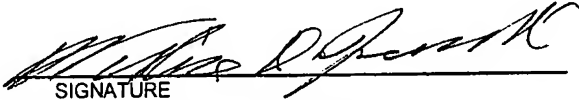
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